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DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question is—

'That the Madras Agricultural Income-tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1961, be taken into consideration.'

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was taken into consideration.

Clauses 2 to 5 were put and carried.

Clause 1 and the Preamble were put and carried.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Sir, I move—

"That the Madras Agricultural Income-tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1961 be passed."

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the Madras Agricultral Income-tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1961, be passed."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

(6) THE MADRAS WAREHOUSES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1961.

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : Sir, I rise to introduce the Madras Warehouse (Amendment Bill, 1961, and move—

"That the Bill will be taken into consideration."

Section 13 of the Madras Warehouses Act, 1951 (Madras Act XV of 1951) provides that every warehouseman shall insure against loss or damage by fire, rain, floods, theft, riot or civil commotion or any other prescribed event, such classes of the goods deposited in his warehouse as may be prescribed. The contingency of the goods being damaged by floods, rain, riot, or civil commotion is remote. Hence, compulsory insurance of goods against those risks is considered unnecessary. In the circumstances, with a view to avoid unnecessary financial commitment on account of the cost of such insurance to the depositor, it is proposed to undertake legislation to amend section 13 of the Madras Warehouses Act, 1951, so as to authorise Government to prescribe by rules the events against which the warehouseman has to insure the goods deposited in his warehouse.

2. The Central Warehousing Corporation has suggested the need for making the provisions of section 13 inapplicable to Warehousing Corporations established under the Agricultural Produce (Development and Warehousing) Corporations Act, 1956, if such Warehousing Corporations have agreed to compensate the depositor of goods against loss or damage from the prescribed events. It is proposed to accept the suggestion and to make the necessary provision in section 13 in that behalf.

3. It is also proposed to suitably amend section 27 of the Act so as to provide for the placing on the table of both the Houses of the legislature the rules and notifications issued under the Act

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in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation. With these few words, I commend the motion for the acceptance of the House.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question is—

'That the Madras Warehouses (Amendment) Bill, 1961 be taken into consideration.'

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was taken into consideration.

Clauses 2 and 3 were put and carried.

Clause 1 and the Preamble were put and carried.

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : Sir, I move—

"That the Madras Warehouses (Amendment) Bill 1961 be passed."

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the Madras Warehouses (Amendment) Bill, 1961 be passed."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

(7) THE MADRAS LOCAL AUTHORITIES FINANCE BILL, 1961 (L.A. BILL NO. 34 OF 1961) AS AMENDED BY THE SELECT COMMITTEE.

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : Sir, I move—

"That the Madras Local Authorities Finance Bill, 1961 (L.A. Bill No. 34 of 1961) as amended by the Select Committee, be taken into consideration."

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the Madras Local Authorities Finance Bill, 1961 (L.A. Bill No. 34 of 1961) as amended by the Select Committee be taken into consideration."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill as amended by the Select Committee was taken into consideration.

Clauses 2 to 9 were put and carried.

Clause 1 and the Preamble were put and carried.

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : Sir, I move :—

"That the Madras Local Authorities Finance Bill, 1961 (L.A. Bill No. 34 of 1961) as amended by the Select Committee be passed."

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the Madras Local Authorities Finance Bill, 1961 (L.A. Bill No. 34 of 1961) as amended by the Select Committee be passed."